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Government servants at Udayarpalayam are paid house-rent allowance, as Udayarpalayam is the headquarters of a taluk. Government servants at other places in Udayarpalayam taluk are not eligible for any house-rent allowance.

" (b) & (c) Ariyalur is neither a municipality nor the headquarters of a taluk. Government servants at Ariyalur are not therefore eligible for any house-rent allowance under the existing orders. But the question of extending the scheme of house-rent allowance to places which are headquarters of Revenue divisions but are not covered by the existing orders is under the consideration of the Government."

Repairs to Anantasagaram tank, Atmakur taluk.

* 990 *Q.*—SRI G. C. KONDAYYA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a leakage in the lower level sluice of Anantasagaram tank in Atmakur taluk, Nellore district, for the last four years; and

(*b*) why the Government did not get it repaired in spite of the repeated requests of the ryots under that tank?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) A leakage occurred in sluice No. 2 of the Anantasagaram tank in July 1952 and not four years back. No representations were received in this regard except the one sent by the Member himself through the Collector of Nellore. Action has been taken to renew the existing shutter and screw-gearing arrangement of the sluice."

Certificate for fee-concession to children of head teachers of elementary schools.

* 991 *Q.*—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the Government have received any query from the Malabar District Board as to who is to certify that a particular boy or girl is a child of the head teacher of an aided elementary school so as to be eligible for the fee-concession allowed by the Government; and if so, what was the Government's reply to the Board?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" No representation has been made to Government by the Malabar District Board in the matter. On a reference made by the Director of Public Instruction orders have been issued that in the case of children of headmasters of elementary schools under private management the Deputy Inspectors of Schools should issue the certificate."

Alleged suicide by a patient of the Madras Mental Hospital.

* 992 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether it is a fact that one patient